

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Knaak *et al.*
Appl. No.: 10/692,579
Filed: October 24, 2003
For: PERFORATION MECHANISM FOR A FOAM-IN-BAG CUSHION AND METHOD OF USE

Confirmation No.: 9031
Group Art Unit: 3724
Examiner: (not yet assigned)

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are cited herein because they were cited in the Search Report of corresponding European Application No. 04025185. A copy of the Search Report is enclosed along with any cited foreign patent documents and non-patent literature documents in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2). The Examiner may also wish to consider the notations on the Search Report itself regarding the relevance of each item.

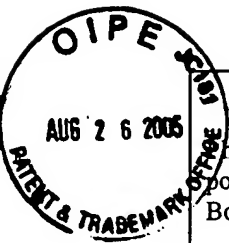
It is requested that the Examiner consider these references and officially make them of record in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97 and Section 609 of the MPEP. By identifying the listed documents, Applicant in no way makes any admission as to the prior art status of the listed documents, but is instead identifying the listed documents for the sake of full disclosure.

As noted above, each item of information listed on Form PTO-1449 was cited in a Search Report from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application. This Search Report was not received by any individual designated by 37 CFR 1.56(c) more than thirty (30) days prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]
Ryan W. Cagle
Registration No. 47,468

Customer No. 00826
ALSTON & BIRD LLP
Bank of America Plaza
101 South Tryon Street, Suite 4000
Charlotte, NC 28280-4000
Tel Raleigh Office (919) 862-2200
Fax Raleigh Office (919) 862-2260



CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on August 24, 2005

Rebecca Kerney
Rebecca Kerney

Substitute for form 1449/PTO
(Revised 04/2003)

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**
(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Complete if Known

| | |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| Application Number | 10/692,579 |
| Filing Date | October 24, 2003 |
| First Named Inventor | Knaak |
| Group Art Unit | 3724 |
| Examiner Name | (not yet assigned) |
| Attorney Docket Number | 031456/267075 |

Sheet 1 of 1

| U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS | | | | | |
|------------------------|----------|--|--------------------------------|--|---|
| Examiner Initials* | Cite No. | Document Number Number - Kind Code (if known) | Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY | Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document | Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages of Relevant Figures Appear |
| | 13 | US - 3,420,421 | 01-07-1969 | Hellberg | |
| | 14 | US - 4,653,363 | 03-31-1987 | Lang | |
| | 15 | US - 5,802,945 | 09-08-1998 | Brinkmeier <i>et al.</i> | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |

| FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|----------|--|--------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Examiner Initials | Cite No. | Foreign Patent Document Country Code - Number Kind Code (if known) | Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY | Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document | Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear | English Language Translation Attached |
| | 16 | WO - 95/24308 A1 | 09-14-1995 | Dowbrands Inc. | | |
| | 17 | WO - 97/38832 A1 | 10-23-1997 | Nordenia Verpackungswerke GmbH | | |

| OTHER DOCUMENTS | | | |
|-------------------|----------|---|--|
| Examiner Initials | Cite No. | Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published. | English Language Translation Attached |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |

| | | | |
|--------------------|--|-----------------|--|
| Examiner Signature | | Date Considered | |
|--------------------|--|-----------------|--|

*Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.